

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

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SAN DIEGO COUNTY WANTS SENIORS TO HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE Older-Adult Candidates Sought to Participate in "California Senior Legislature"

Are you an older adult with ideas to improve life for others in your age group? Do you want to help change laws to improve issues that impact seniors? If you're age 60 or older, consider becoming a Senior Legislator.

The California Senior Legislature (CSL) is a group of dedicated, non-partisan volunteers who work to express the interests of California's older population to the State Legislature. The legislators meet with senior groups to get ideas of needs and to mobilize them to advocate for legislation impacting their lives. These representatives then draft recommendations for the Legislature.

CSL was established in 1981, by the California State Legislature, which requested that the state's Commission on Aging develop a forum through which older Californians could develop legislative priorities that were important to the senior population. CSL members advocate for legislation to the California State Legislature, independent of any other government organization.

Interested persons, age 60 and older, can pick up an information packet at the Health and Human Services Agency Aging and Independence Services office, 9335 Hazard Way in the Kearny Mesa area of San Diego. Applicants must collect 40 signatures before March 15 to be eligible to run for this position.

For more information about CSL, see the Web site at **www.4csl.org**, or call the office in Sacramento at (916) 322-5630.

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